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14 I just want to make three main remarks or

15 three little categories.

16 I'm from 432 Marine Street in Boulder,

17 Colorado, 80302, which is very close to Denver,

18 Colorado, and Denver has the WIPP route to the waste

19 isolation pilot plant coming through it. And if Yucca

20 opens, it could easily also have Yucca route passing .

21 through. And Denver would be the one place in the

22 crosshairs of both of those routes. And with thousands

23 and thousands of shipments of nuclear waste passing

24 through, it's terrifying to think of transportation

25 problems in terms of accidents. And now since we're

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1 all so much more alert to terrorism, what would happen

2 with terrorists and Denver being so especially

3 vulnerable because it's a huge city right possibly in

4 the crosshairs of both of those routes.

5 And I have my first brand-new grandchild, who

6 is eight months old, who lives in Taos, Mexico, which

7 is close to the route to WIPP and I just cannot bear

8 the idea of my darling little Carmen being exposed to

9 the, already what she's exposed to living close to Los

10 Alamos, but having this kind of transportation

11 happening across the country.

12       Then I also wanted to mention the idea of

13 terrorism and storage, that -- and we climbed almost to

14 the top of Yucca Mountain on the first day that I was

15 here this week and imagining the terrorism and a

16 nuclear weapon dropped on Yucca Mountain and what could

17 be, they have it that could be worsened because of

18 that. Or the fact that the Yucca Mountain is on a

19 fault plane and what could happen in terms of

20 earthquakes?

21       So for both of those reasons, I'm worried.

22 Then, because I've been driving from Boulder to Taos to

23 see my children and my grandchild, I've been listening

24 to tapes in my car and I listened to all 13 tapes of

25 "Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee," which is the

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1 anthropological and historical study of all the Indian

2 wars and treaties with the Indians and the broken

3 treaties with the Indians. And putting that together

4 with what's happening with the Shoshone land and the

5 other night we heard a speaker who was a representative

6 of the Shoshone Nation and I've also been to the  
7 nuclear test site in the past, which is on the land  
8 that the Shoshones believe is theirs.

9       So the whole idea of environmental racism and  
10 trespassing on land which really, by old, an old treaty  
11 ought to still belong to the Shoshone, that they ought  
12 to be able to have jurisdiction, or if not  
13 jurisdiction, they ought to have our kindness and  
14 compassion that we wouldn't even dream of burdening  
15 them with nuclear waste being transported into their  
16 land and then buried in a hazardous site on their land.

17       So those are my comments and thank you for  
18 being here. And thank you for recording them. It was  
19 hard for me not to concentrate on what you were doing  
20 because that's an amazing process, that you can just  
21 tap all that out. Thank you both very much.